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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

U. S. PATENT(S) :

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>
4,522,365	Tabares	Jun 11, 1985
6,095,697	Lehman et al.	Aug 01, 2000

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Germany	30 07 803	Sep 10, 1981
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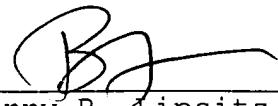
counterpart international patent application no. PCT/EP02/05203
(MPEP §2001.06(a)).

Copies of the above-listed foreign references are enclosed, together with a completed form PTO-1449. English language abstracts are attached to the enclosed copies of DE 30 07 803 and DE 195 42 223.

Consideration of these references by the Examiner is respectfully requested. To date, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore believed to be timely filed.

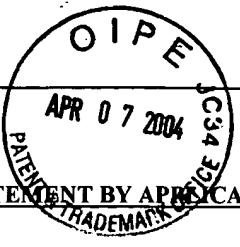
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